

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****CUSTOMER NO. 22927**

**Applicants:** Walker et al.  
**Application No.:** 09/609,253  
**Filed:** June 30, 2000  
**Title:** METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR INCREASING  
AND/OR FOR MONITORING A PARTY'S  
COMPLIANCE WITH A SCHEDULE FOR TAKING  
MEDICINES  
**Attorney Docket No.:** 00-007  
**Group Art Unit:** 3626  
**Examiner:** FRENEL, Vanel  
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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE****to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2004 (Paper No. 12142004)**

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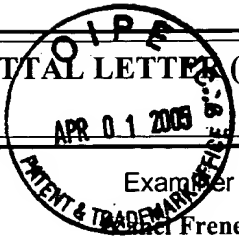
Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2004 (Paper No. 12142004), please consider the following remarks.

This document is filed by Applicants' representative on behalf of the present Applicants for patent. Accordingly, references in this document to "we," "us," "our," and the like will be understood as indicating the present Applicants.

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| <b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b><br>Applicant(s): JAY S. WALKER et al. |                              |                    |                       | Docket No.<br>00-007   |                          |
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Invention: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR INCREASING AND/OR FOR MONITORING A PARTY'S COMPLIANCE WITH A SCHEDULE FOR TAKING MEDICINES**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| CLAIMS AS AMENDED  |                                     |                             |                                |            |                   |
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